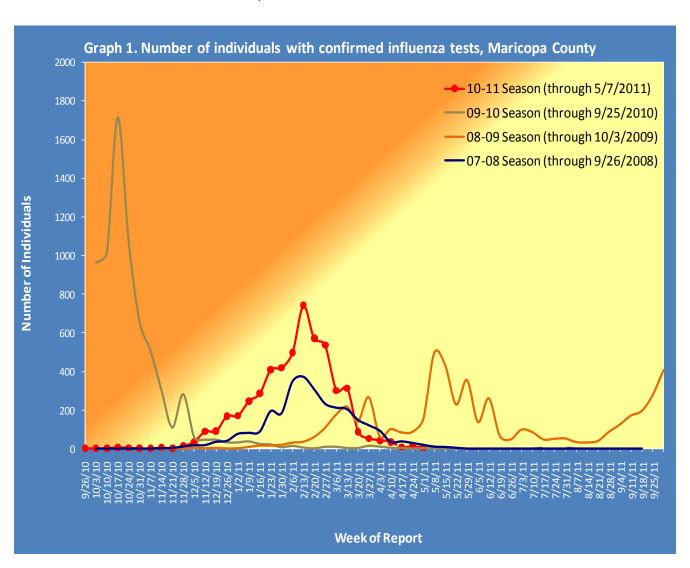
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Individuals with Laboratory Confirmed Influenza

This influenza season (2010-11), there have been 5,139 individuals confirmed with an influenza test. The chart below shows tests each week for the current season (red) and previous seasons. The broken line represents weeks for which all test results have not yet been collected.



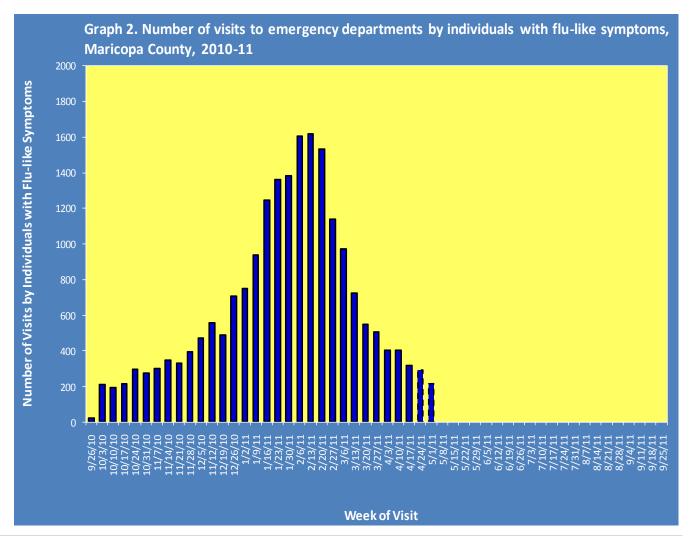
Types of Influenza

This influenza season, three types of influenza have been reported. Table 1 shows the number and percentage of tests reported by influenza type.

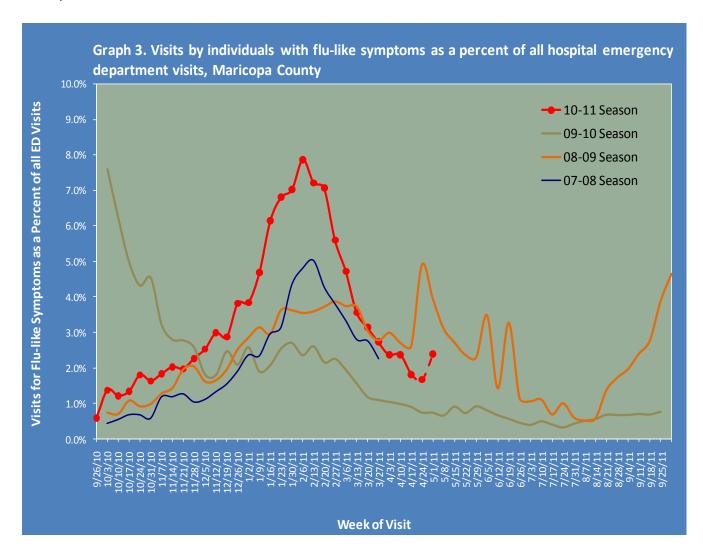
Table 1. Types of Influenza , 2010-11 Season, Maricopa County		
Swine flu (Influenza A, type H1N1)	389	20.5%
Seasonal influenza (Influenza A, type H3)	992	52.2%
Influenza B, all types	518	27.3%
		100%
No type determined	3,240	
Total	5,139	

Respiratory Illness Activity at Hospital Emergency Departments

This influenza season, there have been 20,772 visits to emergency departments by individuals with flu-like symptoms. To be counted as an individual with flu-like symptoms, the patient must have both fever <u>and</u> cough or sore throat. Graph 2 shows the number of patients with flu-like symptoms seen at 18 emergency departments. The broken bars represent weeks for which all visits have not yet been collected.

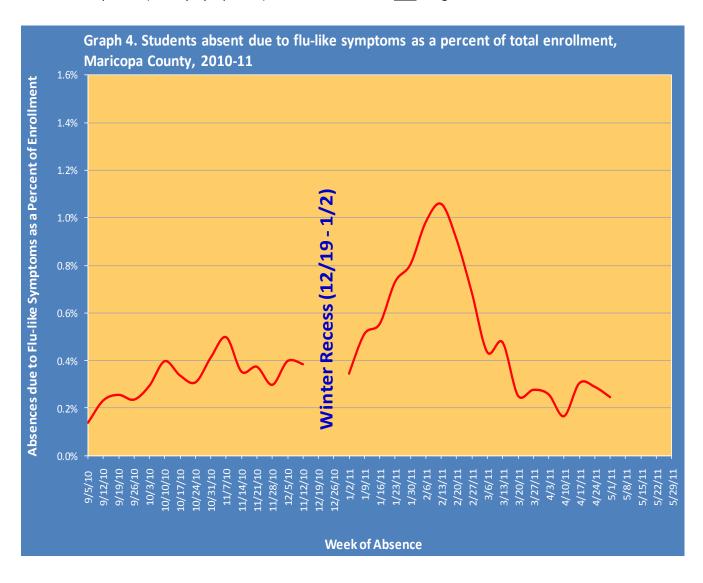


Graph 3 shows what percent of all emergency department visits were individuals with flu-like symptoms (fever and cough/sore throat). The graph shows the trend week by week, with the current season in red. The broken line represents weeks for which all visits have not been collected.



Respiratory Illness Activity at Schools

Graph 4 shows the percent of enrolled students in selected public schools who were absent due to flu-like symptoms. To be counted as a student absent with flu-like symptoms, the student must be kept home from school and reported (usually by a parent) to have both a fever <u>and</u> cough or sore throat.



The Maricopa County Department of Public Health wishes to thank all of the influenza surveillance participants:

Arizona Department of Health Services

Local Hospital Emergency Departments & Infection Control Practitioners

(6 BioSense facilities, 12 additional hospitals)

90 Maricopa County Public Schools

Maricopa County Office of Vital Statistics

Questions about this report may be directed to: epidemiology@mail.maricopa.gov

Information on influenza activity for the state, the U.S. and the world may be found at the following websites:

http://www.azdhs.gov/phs/oids/epi/flu/index.htm (ADHS)
http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm(CDC)
http://www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/influenzanetwork/flunet/en/index.html (WHO)